(c) the status of upgradation of urban infrastructure in the backward State of Orissa, under this project; and

(d) the details of the amount that is proposed to be granted to Orissa State under this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) A sum of Rs. 50,000 crore has been committed as additional assistance under Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) for the Mission period of seven years, beginning from 2005-06.

(c) and (d) Two cities from Orissa, namely, Bhubaneshwar and Puri, have been covered under JNNURM. The following two projects in respect of Bhubaneshwar in Orissa have been approved under JNNURM so far:

(i) Integrated Sewerage Project at an approved cost of Rs. 49891.35 lakh.

(ii) Conservation of the Heritage Tank of Bindusagar at an approved cost of Rs. 601.31 lakh.

JNNURM is a demand driven scheme and there is only an indicative State-wise allocation made. However, funds will be released to the State depending on the proejcts approved by the Competent Authority and after taking into account overall availability of fund.

Alternative site for Commonwealth Games Village

†1154. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ministry of Environment and Forests has objected to the proposed Commonwealth Games Village to be set up near the banks of Yamuna river;

(b) whether alternative site has been selected for the same;

(c) if not, by when it is likely to be selected;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) whether Government are aware that the private construction companies intend to capture all sports projects from Government by offering to provide better pay scales to the engineers engaged in the sports projects; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken by Government to tackle the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has reported that environment clearance for the Village was accorded by Ministry of Environment and Forests on 14.12.2006 subject to certain conditions. The Ministry of Environment and Forests has also allowed DDA on 21.2.2007 to go ahead with the Planning of construction work, permanent or temporary, subject to the condition that actual work on permanent structures shall not start till mitigation/abatement measures against upstream flooding are identified through studies.

(b) The DDA has further informed that selection of alternative site is not required.

(c) In view of reply to (b) above, does not arise.

(d) and (e) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has informed that no such instance has come to notice.

Private funding for urban projects

1155. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose for private funding of various urban projects to increase the infrastructure and public services for rapidly growing urbanization and population growth in the cities; and

(b) if so, by when the policy would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Guidelines of Sub-Mission-I (Urban Infrastructure and Governance) of Jawaharlal Nehru